# COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN FISH CONTAMINANT SURVEY 1996-1998

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#### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ADD average daily dose of a specific chemical (mg/kg-day)

AFC average fish consumption ALM EPA Adult Lead Model

AT averaging time for exposure duration (days)

ATSDR Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

AVE average

BCF bioconcentration factor

BEIR Biological Effects of Ionizing Radiation

BEST Biomonitoring of Environmental Status and Trends

BKSF biokinetic slope factor BW body weight

C chemical concentration in fish tissue

CDC Centers for Disease Control

CF conversion factor

CSFII Continuing Survey of Food Intake by Individuals

CSFs cancer slope factors

CRITFC Columbia River Intertribal Fish Commission
DDE 1,1-dichloro-2,2-bis(p-chlorophenyl)ethylene
DDT 1,1,1-trichloro-2,2-bis(p-chlorophenyl)ethane
DDD 1,1-dichloro-2,2-bis(p-chlorophenyl)ethane
DDMU 1,1-bis(p-chlorophenyl)2 chloro-ethylene

DF detection frequency
DMA dimethyarsenic

EF exposure frequency (days/year)
ED Exposure duration (years)

ECR<sub>new</sub> Excess cancer risk for the new exposure duration

ECR<sub>70</sub> Excess cancer risk estimate for a lifetime exposure duration of 70 years

ED<sub>new</sub> Individual exposure duration in years

ED<sub>70</sub> Default lifetime exposure duration of 70 years

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FS fillet with skin
FW fillet without skin

GC/AED Gas Chromatograph/Atomic Emission Detector

GSD Geometric Standard Deviation GPS global positioning system

HEAST Health Effects Assessment Summary Tables

HFC high fish consumption

HI hazard index HQ hazard quotient

IEUBK EPA integrated exposure uptake biokinetic model

IR ingestion rate

LLD lower limit of detection

LOAEL lowest observed adverse effect level

MAX maximum

MDC minimum detectable concentration

MF modifying factor

MIN minimum

MMA monomethylarsenic NA not applicable

NAERL National Air and Radiation Environmental Laboratory

NCEA National Center for Environmental Assessment NCBP National Contaminant Biomonitoring Program

NCRP National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements

ND not detected

NOAEL no observable adverse effect level

NS not sampled

OCDD Octachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin

OERR EPA Office of Emergency and Remedial Response

PAHs polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons

PCBs polychlorinated biphenyls

PSAMP Puget Sound Ambient Monitoring Program

RfD reference dose

RPFs relative potency factors

2,3,7,8-TCDD 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-*p*-dioxin 2,3,7,8 TCDF 2,3,7,8 tetrachlorodibenzo-*p*-furan toxicity equivalence concentration

TEF toxicity equivalence factor

TRW EPA Technical Review Workgroup for Lead

UF uncertainty factors WB whole body

USEPA U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
USGS United States Geological Survey

Bq one radioactive disintegration

**Units** per second

ng/kg nanograms per kilogram (ppt)
µg/dl micrograms per deciliter
µg/kg micrograms per kilogram

(ppb)

g/day grams per day

mg/kg milligram per kilogram (ppm)

kg kilogram

kg/g kilogram per gram

mg/kg-day milligram per kilogram-day

